

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
	)	CONFIRMATION NO.: 9082
ZHANG et al.	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: 1652
Application No.: 10/779,638	)	
	)	Examiner: Hope A. Robinson
Filed: February 18, 2004	)	
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For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR	)	
HEALING AND REPAIRING OF	)	
ARTICULAR CARTILAGE	)	

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Sir:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action dated March 7, 2007, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper at page 2.

**Remarks** follow the amendment sections of this paper at page 5.

The **Conclusion** follows the remarks section of this paper at page 10.